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## ELIZABETHTOWN CONVENTION

### Bull Moosers of Fourth District Meet.

### E. R. Bassett Selected Progressive Candidate for Congress.

(Special to The Republican.)

Elizabethtown, Ky., Aug. 4, 1912.—Pursuant to a call by the National Progressive Party and also in pursuance of a call by the Hon. Leslie Camps, member of the provisional committee as aforesaid for the State of Kentucky, the Progressives of the Fourth Congressional District of Kentucky assembled in convention at Elizabethtown, Ky., August 4, 1912. The convention was called to at 10:30 by the Hon. C. M. Barnett, of Hartford. Upon motion and second (Hon. G. W. Stone, of Letchfield, Ky.), was declared closed chairman of the convention and J. M. Williams secretary. A roll call of the counties in the district represented except Bullitt and Taylor. All counties with these two exceptions held conventions and selected delegates. Upon motion of W. F. Nelkirk, the roll of counties was called and each county presented its member on the following committees: Audit, Credentials, Rules and order of business, Permanent organization and Resolutions. After the selection of the committees on motion the convention adjourned until 4 o'clock p. m. At 1 o'clock p. m. the convention reassembled and the chairman called for reports of political conditions in the various counties in the district and encouraging reports were made from all counties. The committee on rules and order of business then reported as follows: 1st. The election of two delegates and of two alternates to represent the Fourth District in the National Convention at Chicago August 5, 1912; 2nd. The election of a member of the State Central Committee for the Fourth Congressional District; 3rd. The recommendation of a suitable candidate for elector for the Fourth Congressional District and also for assistant elector; 4th. Recommendation of a candidate for Congress for the Fourth Congressional District.

The committee on credentials then reported as follows: We, the committee on credentials respectfully report that there are no contests from any county and that all the credentials presented by each county are regular. The committee on permanent organization reported as follows: We, your committee on permanent organization respectfully recommend that the temporary organization of this convention be made permanent.

Committee on resolutions reported as follows: First, we approve the call for this convention and also the call which has been issued for a National convention to convene in Chicago August 5 to nominate candidates for President and Vice President of the United States; Second, we denounce the so-called nomination of President Taft at Chicago as fraudulent, landing upon no one, and we call upon the voters of this district regardless of past party affiliations to join with us in support of candidates upon a true progressive platform and upon whose title will rest no stain; Third, we condemn the present basis of representation in the National conventions and declare for the change which will make the ratio conform to the votes cast in the several states at the preceding general election; Fourth, the people are the Government and the source of all wealth, hence they should govern in fact, as well as in Nation State, County and Municipality; that this right may be exercised free from political bosses and convention thieves; we favor the primary in all contests from the office of President down. Fifth, we favor amendments to the Federal constitution making President, Vice President, United States Senators and all Federal Judges elective by direct vote of the people. Sixth, we further declare for graduated inheritance and income taxes; for the initiative and referendum; recall of officials, reasonably safeguarded; for a working-man's compensation act; for abolition of all needless offices which unnecessarily tax the people; a graduated pro-

tion of the tariff downward so as not to effect the business nor effect good wages for the working men and fair prices for all farm products; and for such other general reforms as the spirit of the time demands; for a physical valuation of railroads, telephone and telegraph properties doing interstate commerce; for governmental control of our National resources, the same be farmed out in the interest of the people and royalties paid in the treasury rather than exploited by rich syndicates for private property. Seventh, delegates and alternates chosen by this convention are instructed to vote for, and use all honorable means to secure the nomination of that great champion of the rights of the common people, Theodore Roosevelt, for President of the United States at the Chicago Convention, Eighth, We recommend the adoption of the Moose Head as the party emblem in Kentucky.

After the adoption of the resolutions the chairman called for nominations of candidates for delegates and the following names were placed in nomination before the convention, namely: A. A. Pearl, Clarence Redman, Jesse R. Eckridge and W. S. Tinsley. The vote resulted in W. S. Tinsley and Jesse R. Eckridge being elected.

Nominations for alternate delegates then declared in order and the following names were placed before the convention, namely: M. J. Benkeft, J. W. Meyers, Woodson Lewis, and L. C. Hubbard. Vote being taken resulted in J. W. Meyers, and Woodson Lewis being elected as alternates.

Hon. W. F. Nelkirk was unanimously elected as State Central Committeeman from the Fourth District, Clarence Redman, of La Rue county, was recommended for assistant elector. Hon. E. R. Bassett, of Letchfield, was unanimously recommended as the Progressive candidate for Congress from the Fourth District.

On motion the action of the Louisville Herald in supporting the Progressive ticket, was endorsed. Convention then adjourned.

### NEGRO REAPS REWARD FOR HIS AID TO TAFT

### Discharged Brownsville Soldier Given Job And May Be Voted Back Into Army.

Washington, Aug. 3.—By an executive order of President Taft, Mirgo Sanders, who was a sergeant of the colored infantry regiment discharged from the Army without honor when several companies of the regiment likewise were discharged for participation in the Brownsville riots, today became a messenger in the classified service and went to work at the Interior Department at \$70 a month. Recently Sanders took part as a spellbinder in the Ohio primary fight between President Taft and Col. Roosevelt.

Representative Rodenburg, of Illinois, said today he would introduce in the House next week a bill to reinstate Sanders in the Army and permit his reenlistment at once.

When discharged Sanders had served twenty-six years and after another year's service would have been entitled to retirement at two-thirds pay and allowance. Later Mr. Rodenburg says he will introduce a bill for reinstatement of all the innocent soldiers discharged for participation in the Brownsville riots.

**Wilson Not to Stump Country**  
Searight, N. J., Aug. 5.—Gov. Wilson will not make a general stump tour of the country in the interest of his presidential campaign, but will probably make a few speeches in desirable states. The governor made this announcement today.

"I will not stump the country," he said. "I have definitely determined upon that. I anticipate that I will make a few speeches during the campaign at times and places considered desirable by the campaign committee and myself. I assume that the speaking campaign, not necessarily mine but that of the organization, will begin about Sept. 1."

**Kentucky Not Ungrateful.**  
Republicans may be ungrateful, but commonwealths are not. Kentucky is about to erect a monument to the memory of one of her citizens who first imported mining from Virginia.—Memphis News-Solmar.

## ADAIR COUNTY COMMITTEEMEN

### Republicans Quit in View of Theft For Taft.

### Party in Hands of Thieves is Unqualified Charge They Made.

Columbia, Ky., Aug. 3.—Taft leaders in Kentucky were thrown into dismay today on receiving word sent out from this city that eight members of the Adair County Republican Committee had resigned from the body following the lead taken several days ago when Judge W. W. Jones, regularly elected chairman of the committee, tendered his resignation.

Resigning committeemen give as their reason for quitting the body that the Republican party "is in the hands of thieves" and that it "misrepresents the wishes of the voters." The recent Chicago convention is described as "the most colossal steal known within the annals of history."

Their statement addressed to the secretary of the committee follows:

We, the undersigned members of the Adair County Republican Committee are not in sympathy with the conditions as they exist today in the Republican organization of the State and Nation—condemning in our minds and detesting in our souls the frauds recently practiced in the name of the Republican party at Chicago to force the nomination of Taft, when it was evident from Maine to California, from the lakes to the Gulf, in every State whose people had a chance to express themselves, that the choice of the Republicans for President was Theodore Roosevelt.

We have been Republicans all our lives and as long as the party stood for the liberty of the people and equality of all, a free ballot and a fair count, we were willing to do its battles even to the shedding of blood in defense of its principles. But when, as has been demonstrated by the Chicago Convention, its days of honesty and integrity of purpose are over, that it has now become the private property of political buccanniers who use its machinery to defraud the people of the right to make nominations, we feel that it is time to assert our manhood and protest with all the force we possess against what every right-thinking man knows was the most colossal steal known within the annals of history.

It is patent to any observer of the course of recent events that through the organization of the party was passed down the line to steal first County delegates—then in succession District and State delegations—and when this failed to secure enough delegates to defeat the choice of the party, Theodore Roosevelt, then did it become incumbent upon the National Committee to unseat legally elected delegates until with it all of the rotten boroughs of the South they were enabled to give a fraudulent nomination to President Taft; and were it not for the fact that recent events have proven that the President was cognizant of the steal we might condone the crime to some extent and asphorize his personality with the mantle of charity, excusing his acceptance of the fraudulent nomination on the grounds of the methods employed. But almost each day since the convention has Mr. Taft been appointing to Federal office the chief perpetrators of this crime—so much so that when we scan the papers and see the name of an appointment to a post office or judgeship or other office, we naturally ask: "What did he steal?"

Briefly stated the party is in the hands of thieves, its organization misrepresents the wishes of its voters, its acts are revolutionary—repeatedly would reduce this Republic to a monarchy, destroy free government, the freedom of the press and elect from Government positions officials for the crime of less misdeeds.

Theodore Roosevelt is the nominee of the Republican party, but being deprived of the organization in this State and our determination to support him, coupled with the facts stated above, leads us to present you with our resignation as members of your committee, to take effect at once. (Signed) J. C. Strange, South Columbia Precinct; J. T. Barber, West Columbia Precinct; Clem Burton, East Columbia Precinct; L. R. Chapp, Reley Precinct; Aquilla Darnell, Harmony Precinct; Frank Furkin, Elroy Precinct; C. C. Hindman, Milltown Precinct; W. D. Kellner, Cane Valley Precinct.

Roosevelt sentiment, always strong in the county, is growing in leaps and bounds.

## TURLEY RESIDENCE BURNS.

### Full Confession Made by Jack Rose.

### Details Given of Police Graft Gives Also Account of His Movements on Night of Rosenthal Murder.

New York, Aug. 7.—Police officials and gamblers were startled today by a report that Detective William J. Burns had been investigating graft conditions in New York for three months. It was stated that Burns opened a gambling house here with the intention of trapping a high politician who was suspected of sharing in the tribute levied upon the underworld. Burns, who arrived in this city yesterday from Baltimore, denied the story, as also did District Attorney Whitman.

Mr. Whitman said that Burns had been working in the Rosenthal case under his guidance and that he had full knowledge of Burns' movements. "These positively did not include the operation of a gambling house," the District Attorney declared.

With the lengthy written confession of "Bald Jack" Rose as a basis, private detectives went to work today to secure corroboration of Rose's story, in which he told in detail of his alleged relations with Police Lieutenant Becker as a collector of blackmail.

Rose handed his confession to Mr. Whitman last night just as the latter was leaving the West Side court prison, where Rose is confined. It is written in ink and covers thirty-eight pages of foolscap paper. Parts of it are at variance with the earlier statements made by the gambler, but Rose declares that the statement is the absolute truth and any different statements made earlier by him were inaccurate.

Rose tells in detail of the method he alleges Becker used in getting evidence against gambling houses, the keepers of which had refused to pay protection money to his agents. He tells how these blackmailers were brought to terms speedily and of the amount of money he collected monthly.

More important than anything else, he furnished to District Attorney Whitman the names and address of twelve gambling house proprietors from whom he alleges he collected sums ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 a month, all of which, he says, he turned over to Becker.

These exchanges of money, Rose alleges, were made in his home at West 124th street, in the presence of his wife, and frequently in the presence of servants. The names of several of the servants are included in Rose's statement.

But Rose's statement is not confined exclusively to his relations with Becker as the latter's alleged collector. The final six pages of the confession are devoted to a detailed account of his movements on the night that Herman Rosenthal was shot to death in front of the Metropole Hotel.

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As another side development of the Rosenthal case, an attempt will be made by a citizens' committee, to determine what defects in the present scheme of municipal government have made police graft and the Rosenthal murder possible in New York city. It is the opinion of the committee that the present situation is the result of

**Steep Shipments are Light.**  
According to the books of County Live Stock Inspector, Mr. L. D. Bennett, there were 4,000 head of sheep shipped from Ohio county in the year 1911. However, this year there has been a marked decrease in the shipment, and only 100 head have been shipped.

The decrease is thought to be due to the fact that many farmers sold all of their sheep last year on account of the short crops. Mr. Bennett says that many sheep raisers use the dipping process to keep off diseases, and he has not found any diseased sheep in the county.

**First Water Melons in Hartford.**  
The first water melons of this season were brought to Hartford one day last week by Mr. Walter Kennedy, who lives near this city. He said that the prospects for the melon crop in this county this year were rather gloomy, on account of the heavy rains. Many people had fine prospects for a bumper crop, but the rains completely ruined the vines.

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## Third Regiment K. S. G. Complemented.

### Roasts Baby in Oven.

### By Taking Shot at Section Foreman, Inflicting Painful Wound.

The following official order has been received by Capt. DeWane and compliments the conduct and soldierly manner of the Third Regiment on the encampment at Annapolis, A. A. Headquarters 3rd. Inf., K. N. G., Hopkinstown, Ky., August 8th, 1912. General Order No. 4.

It is with pride and pleasure that the commanding officer desires to announce to the Regiment that the recent tour of duty at Annapolis, Ala., July 25—August 5, was the most successful in the history of the Regiment. The officers of the regular army attached to this regiment as inspector-instructors commended you for the prompt and efficient manner in which your work was done, and especially for the soldierly and gentlemanly conduct while in camp or on liberty in the city of Annapolis. The fact that the guard-house was empty and not a single man under arrest during the tour is significant of the effort put forth.

The citizens of your home stations should be proud of you, and the Commonwealth of Kentucky should be equally proud of the result of this tour. You have upheld the honor of the State and the Commanding Officer desires that every officer and man of the Regiment know that he deeply appreciates the splendid work and conduct.

By order of Colonel Henry A. G. CHAPMAN Capt. & Adj.

**Roasts Baby in Oven.**  
Sterling, Ill., August 5.—In order that the baby might not interfere with its mother who was working nearby, the seven-year-old daughter of Mrs. Eliza Frankfather placed the infant on the door of an oven from which her mother had just taken a batch of bread. The red hot metal burned the infant so badly that it cannot recover.

## SMART ALECK SOLDIER PULLS OFF STUNT

### By Taking Shot at Section Foreman, Inflicting Painful Wound.

Owensboro, Ky., Aug. 5.—Henry Epley, of Epley station, Logan county, a section foreman of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad company, received a severe wound on the head this morning shortly after the special train carrying the soldiers from Annapolis, A. A., left Russellville. When the train left Russellville, companies from Letchfield, Greenfield, Calhoun, Livermore and Owensboro were aboard, and it is claimed that the shot was fired by some soldier listed with one of these companies.

Epley was in charge of a section crew who were at work on the road between Epley and Edwards, and as the train passed the men, a shot was fired from a blank cartridge by one of the soldiers leading out of the window. Epley was in such close range of the train that the powder and lead caused an ugly wound on his head, and for a while he was unconscious. The wounded man was taken back to Russellville to have his wounds dressed, and the train officials have already begun an investigation of the matter.

## Never Missed Paper in Twenty-Four Years.

Mr. L. D. Bennett, of route 3, came to The Republican office Monday to renew his subscription to this paper. He has been a subscriber since the beginning of the paper twenty-four years ago and has remained on his list ever since. He holds the remarkable record of never missing a single copy in that time and he has therefore received over 1248 copies of The Republican.

## Farmers' Union Store is Opened at Carlisle.

Frankfort, Ky., Aug. 3.—Stocked by 1,000 members of the Farmers' union of Nicholas county, the Farmers' Union Mercantile company has opened a store of incorporation was filed today with Secretary of State Charles R. H. Brively, of East Union, is president; George M. Wilson, of Carlisle, secretary and treasurer, and Simon Kenton, of Carlisle, manager.